

"As a resident radio amateur, licensed by the FCC, in ITU Region 3-American Samoa; I strongly support the ARRL comment in this matter. During the recent Typhoon which hit Am Samoa, communications would have been significantly improved had we been allowed amateur radio access to the 7100-7200 frequencies. There would be no harm to the Primary (Broadcast) users in the early allocation of these frequencies to the Amateur Radio Service. I urge that the FCC authorize amateur radio operation in the 7100-7200 segment immediately."

Maybe even add:

"The American Samoa Amateur Radio Assoc ASARA, the association for resident radio amateurs in American Samoa, strongly supports the comments of the ARRL in this proceeding. The early assignment of the 7100-7200 frequencies to the FCC licensed radio amateurs in Region 1 and 3, including Am Samoa would significantly improve our capability to communicate during emergencies. The recent Typhoon which damaged Am Samoa demonstrated the need for improved communication in the range supported by this frequency allocation. No harm would be caused to the Broadcast Service (primary user) by this early allocation to the Amateur Radio Service (secondary user) in Am Samoa.

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President ASARA"